



ANNIE ZHOU

Born in 1998, eleven year old Annie Zhou began her piano lessons at four with Tanya Tkachenko. Annie is currently a scholarship student at the Young Artists Performance Academy at the Royal Conservatory, where she studies with Marietta Orlov.

At age six, Annie was the youngest student of any discipline to be awarded a scholarship from the RCM. Annie has won three consecutive first prizes at the National Finals of the Canadian Music Competitions, obtaining the overall highest mark in the piano category in 2006 and 2008. She is also a frequent winner at local competitions, such as the Kiwanis Music Festival and the Markham Music Festival.

Annie has performed at the Four Seasons Centre, the Mississauga Living Arts Centre, the Oakville Centre, the Markham Theatre, and CBC's Glenn Gould Studio. She was featured on CBC Radio One and Classical 96.3 FM. Her playing was videotaped for demonstration at the CFMTA-MTNA-RCM World Pedagogy Conference in 2007. Annie appeared as a soloist with the Cathedral Bluffs Symphony Orchestra and last year, she performed a solo recital at the international music festival, "*Assisi in the World*", in Italy.

Her upcoming engagements include her return to the festival in Italy and a performance at the Niagara International Chamber Music Festival this summer.